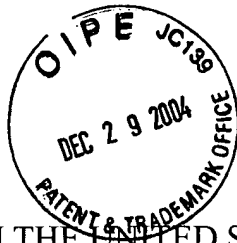


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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 29, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 29, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein-contained remarks.